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Via ECFS  
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to  
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

As a small business owner and home owner in a rural community, I'm disappointed to hear that competitive access to our copper infrastructure is in danger of being taken away.

This will usurp our access to competitive ISP service by removing their ability to deliver DSL service to many communities over existing copper lines.

We also depend on these lines for telephone service, especially during power outages.

Please deny the UsTelcom petition.

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